

APPLICATION NO. 09/871,243  
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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-13, 28-30, 32 and 34-51 were pending in the application, with claims 1, 29 and 39 amended herein and claims 28, 32 and 51 canceled in order to more clearly define and fully protect Applicants' invention. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims 1, 3-13, 29, 30 and 34-50 is respectfully requested.

The Office Action indicates that claims 28, 32, 36-38 and 51 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. By amendment herein, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 28 which depends therefrom; independent claim 29 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 32 which depends therefrom; independent claim 39 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 51 which depends therefrom. Claims 28, 32 and 51 have been canceled as a result of these amendments.

Accordingly, claims 1, 29 and 39 (and claims depending therefrom) are now allowable, and allowance thereof is requested.

Therefore, in accordance with the Office Action, all currently pending claims 1, 3-13, 29, 30 and 34-50 should now be in condition for allowance.

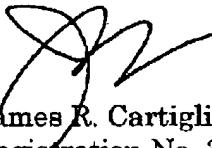
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**CONCLUSION**

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed the above-captioned application is in condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly sought. If there remains any matter which prevents the allowance of any of pending claims 1, 3-13, 29, 30 and 34-50, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned, collect, at 615-242-2400 to arrange for an interview which may further expedite prosecution.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency associated with the filing of this Response to Deposit Account 50-1202.

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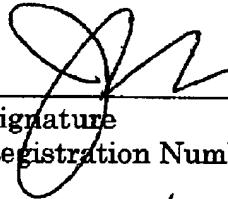
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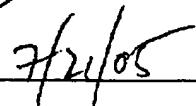
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